

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Lynda Blanchard, of Alabama, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Slovenia, Department of State. **Page S4797**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S4797**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4797**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 56 yeas 37 nays (Vote No. EX. 200), Robert L. King, of Kentucky, to be Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, Department of Education. **Pages S4782–86**

By 54 yeas 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 201), John P. Pallasch, of Kentucky, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor. **Pages S4786–87**

By 52 yeas 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 203), Peter C. Wright, of Michigan, to be Assistant Administrator, Office of Solid Waste, Environmental Protection Agency. **Pages S4787–95**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 53 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 202), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4787**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total–203) **Pages S4786–87, S4794–95**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 3:26 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, July 15, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4811.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Gen. Mark A. Milley, for reappointment to the grade of General, and to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in the United States Army, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

SEMIANNUAL MONETARY POLICY REPORT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, after receiving testimony from Jerome H. Powell, Chairman, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

U.S. LNG IN EVOLVING GLOBAL MARKETS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine evolving global natural gas markets, the increasingly important role of United States liquefied natural gas, and the competitive outlook, after receiving testimony from Steven E. Winberg, Assistant Secretary of Energy for Fossil Energy; Dennis V. Arriola, Sempra Energy, San Diego, California; and Melanie Hart, Center for American Progress, Charlie Riedl, Center for Liquefied Natural Gas, and Nikos Tsafos, Center for Strategic and International Studies, all of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Monica David Morris, of Florida, to be a Commissioner of the United States Parole Commission, Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.